

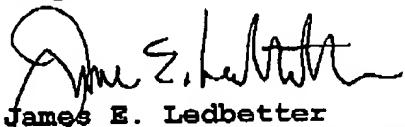
REMARKS

In accordance with a telephone interview with the Examiner on November 16, 2001, claim 33 has been rewritten as new claim 38 and has been revised to make its preamble consistent with that of claim 34. This was done because the Examiner did not wish claim 33 to depend from a higher numbered claim. The Examiner stated that he would recommend this application for allowance upon submission of this amendment.

In light of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance, and a notice to that effect is respectfully solicited.

If any issues remain which may best be resolved through a telephone communication, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned at the local Washington, D.C. telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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